

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H.4635**

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TO:	The Honorable Ronald P. Townsend, Chairperson, House Education and Public Works Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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AUTHOR:	Representative Huggins	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	57-5-610
SUBJECT:	Businesses Located within Interstate Right-Of-Way		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

See Below

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 4635 would permit the Department of Transportation to allow gasoline stations, restaurants, convenience stores and roadside assistance facilities to be located and operate within an interstate highway's right-of-way. The Department would be allowed to charge a reasonable fee for the privilege.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Enactment would have no impact on the General Fund of the State. The Department of Transportation indicates that federal regulations prohibit such businesses from locating within an interstate right-of-way and that the Department would be subject to federal withholding penalties. Therefore, the Department does not plan to allow the location of such businesses with interstate right-of-ways upon enactment since the Bill is permissive in nature.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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